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7. (Confidential - GLC) Rady Johnson, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), called to say they were having considerable difficulty with Representative Paul Rogers (D., Fla.) and his staff man (Mr. Robert Maher) over Roger's request to Secretary Laird for an Agency [redacted] Johnson asked if we would be willing to contact Maher, who is aware that the [redacted] in order to take the pressure off Deputy Secretary of Defense Packard. I agreed to call Maher.

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8. (Unclassified - GLC) Talked with Bob Maher, on the staff of Representative Paul Rogers (D., Fla.), on the matter of Roger's request to Secretary Laird for [redacted] I advised Maher that [redacted] were raw unevaluated intelligence reports which were not circulated outside the intelligence community. I went on to explain that our role in the drug situation was essentially one of cooperation with the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs and other interested agencies by acting on requirements which were levied upon us in this field. Maher said he would have assumed that since the report was dated January 1971 there would have been sufficient time to evaluate its content, but he did not press the issue of obtaining a copy of the report. He went on to say Roger's problem is that Department of Defense has not indicated what it is doing about allegations which were contained in the report which he said dealt with illegal arms transactions as well as drug traffic. He added that Representative Rogers would like to discuss the matter with Mr. Helms as well as with Mr. Packard. I told him that he should pursue with DOD the question of action being taken on the subject matter of the report, but I said I would speak with the Director about the Congressman's interest in talking with him and be back in touch with him.

Frank Hand and Rady Johnson, of DOD, were advised of this conversation and Johnson said he would talk with Packard about their part of this.

9. (Unclassified - GLC) In response to a request from J. Sourwine, Chief Counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, for a briefing for Senator Eastland on the Moroccan situation, I talked with both the Senator and his Administrative Assistant, Courtney Pace, and arranged for us to meet with the Senator on this subject at noon tomorrow.


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10. (Unclassified - GLC) Talked with Mr. Morris Amitay, Special Assistant to Senator Abraham Ribicoff (D., Conn.), about his request for an Agency briefing of Senate staff personnel on the drug subject as outlined in the joint letter from Senator's Ribicoff and Muskie to the Director. I told Amitay there was still a question as to how this subject would be handled by the principals to whom the letter was directed (Secretaries Laird and Rogers, the Attorney General, and the Director) and until that question was resolved we could not really deal with the question of a staff briefing. Amitay said he understood, but added they had been lead to believe that the Agency was the best source of information on the business of foreign drug traffic and the involvement of Government officials of other countries in this traffic. He also commented he felt we would be well advised not to "get hooked up with" other agencies of the Executive Branch who were handling this problem and not doing a very effective job.

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